

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Elk Point, South Dakota, located in Union County, was founded and first settled in 1859 by Eli B. Wixson; and,

WHEREAS, Eli B. Wixson was the first postmaster of Elk Point, which was formed in 1860. Elk Point was incorporated just two years later in 1862; and,

WHEREAS, The town of Elk Point was monikered for an area between the Missouri River and the Sloux River which elk would use as a runway. This stretch of forestry was named Elk Point; and,

WHEREAS, The first home in Elk Point was built and inhabited by Eli Wixson; the first sermon was conducted by the Reverend C. D. Martin in 1860; and the first religious service was conducted by the Reverend White; and,

WHEREAS, The first mayor in Elk Point was H. H. Blair; the first schoolhouse was built and put into operation in 1861, with the first teacher being H. J. Wallace; and the first building open for commerce was the Fairchild and Green in 1865; and,

WHEREAS, Elk Point was one of the first communities in the State of South Dakota and has endured such hardships as the "Flood of 1881," and all the other hardships that pioneers faced in founding the Dakota Territory; and,

WHEREAS, The proud and dedicated people of Elk Point have worked diligently to make their town a good place to live and work together, adding greatly to the rich quality of life we all enjoy in South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, This summer, Elk Point will be celebrating its first 125 years of existence with festivities and commemorations, and it is both fitting and proper for the Governor of South Dakota to offer official recognition to this very special occasion:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 7 and 8, 1984, as

ELK POINT QUASQUICENTENNIAL DAYS

in South Dakota.



ATTEST:

Alice Kundert
ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of June, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

William J. Janklow
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

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